Frederick County Commission on Disabilities Monthly Meeting Minutes June 8, 2009

Present:

Members: Linda Werner, Chair; Gil House, Steve Stoyke, Nancy Lind, Jeanine

Aubertin and Ken Eidel

County Liaison: Miles Ward

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm.

Reading of May 2009 Meeting Minutes:

Steve Stoyke moved to accept the May 2009 meeting minutes and Ken Eidel seconded the motion. Vote: unanimous

Welcoming New Commission Members

Linda Werner reported that Nancy Lind and Jeanine Aubertin had received their appointment letters from Frederick County and welcomed them as new members of the commission.

Old Business:

Keys to Independence

Linda Werner reported that SKC is working on edits to the new edition, and that Jamey George had worked very hard on getting a number of important changes made.

Linda proposed that the changes that had been done up to this point should be included in the newly ordered print run, and that the commission undertake to do a more comprehensive revision of the Keys booklet over the next 6 months, including a discussion about what further changes are needed.

Linda said the new print run would cost \$1.95 per booklet, and that she had ordered approximately 250.

Jar Openers

Linda reported that jar openers had been ordered, and Miles said he would notify the members when they are received.

New Business:

Public Service Announcements

Linda suggested that the commission look into taping Public Service Announcements for broadcast after the Keys to Independence booklets are printed and after the new commission website is up and running. The PSA's could alert the public to both of these matters.

Appointment of members in 2010

Linda reminded the commission members that they needed to start thinking now about good candidates for appointment in 2010, when the terms of some current members will expire.

Speakers for commission meetings

Linda encouraged all members to give her suggestions about anyone they felt would be an interesting speaker at a commission meeting, so she can make the necessary arrangements.

Gil House – ADA report

Gil said that the architect had called him about the project at the County Detention Center, and he told the architect that he only needs to review the building plans. Since things like interior plumbing lines and HVAC aren't covered by the ADA, he doesn't need to review them, and this would hopefully cut down on the bulk of some of the paperwork he's given.

Gil House – manual wheelchairs

Gil reported that he is still interested in getting a few manual wheelchairs so members of the commission could give them a try, and see how difficult some curbs and slopes in Frederick are to navigate.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8 pm.